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The Honorable Nicholas G. Garaufis United States District Judge United States District Court 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: United States v. Keith Raniere, et al.

Criminal Docket No. 18-204 (NGG)

Dear Judge Garaufis:

The government respectfully submits this letter to advise the Court that the Grand Jury today returned a second superseding indictment in this case ("S-2," attached hereto as Exhibit A), and to outline for the Court the manner in which S-2 differs from the first superseding indictment ("S-1").

- 1. The defendant Nancy Salzman, who has pleaded guilty, has been removed and is not referenced in S-2.
- 2. Defendants Keith Raniere, Clare Bronfman, Allison Mack, Kathy Russell and Lauren Salzman have been charged with racketeering conspiracy. Defendants Raniere, Bronfman, Mack and Salzman have been charged with racketeering.
- 3. Four additional predicate racketeering acts ("RAs") have been alleged: two racketeering acts alleging sexual exploitation of a child, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a) (RAs 2 and 3); one racketeering act alleging possession of child pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252(a) (RA 4); and one racketeering act alleging visa fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1546 (RA 11). Three additional counts have been added: two counts charging sexual exploitation of a child (Counts Three and Four) and one count charging possession of child pornography (Count Five).

- 4. The removal of former RA 5A, which alleged encouraging and inducing illegal entry (but maintaining the other subpredicate of that racketeering act, now charged in RA 8).
- 5. The removal of former RAs 8C and 9C, which originally alleged state law extortion of Jane Does 5 and 6 (but maintaining the other subpredicates of those racketeering acts, now alleged as RAs 12 and 13).
- 6. The wording of certain allegations has been amended.

In light of the additional charges in S-2, the government respectfully requests that the current deadlines for proposed jury questionnaires and motions <u>in limine</u>, currently scheduled for March 18, 2019, be postponed and rescheduled at the next status conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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